

# #154 WRITE A SCENE THAT ADDRESSES SKIN COLOR.

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In a recent Instagram reel, I stumbled upon a thought-provoking message referencing the Bible's depiction of the creation of man and woman. It highlights the notion that regardless of the origin story—man created from mud (black) and woman from man's rib (white)—under God, all are simply human beings.

This resonated with me, especially in the context of color discrimination. While India undoubtedly grapples with various forms of discrimination, colorism doesn't seem as pervasive as in some other parts of the world. Yet, the global narrative of associating beauty with whiteness and stigmatizing blackness persists. Even though I consciously reject such notions, I'm aware of their subtle influence. It's crucial to recognize that both white and black skin encompass a spectrum of hues, each possessing its own allure and significance.

We, as a diverse community, encompass shades of brown that blend the supposed extremes of white and black, forming a unique tapestry of beauty. However, it's essential to emphasize that beauty transcends mere skin color; it resides in the richness of diversity and the depth of character. Let us not confine beauty to narrow standards dictated by society but celebrate the unique essence of every individual, irrespective of their skin tone.

"Don't define beauty by skin color" serves as a poignant reminder to embrace the beauty within and beyond the surface.

Person 1: You know, I've been thinking about skin color lately.

Person 2: Oh yeah? What's on your mind?

Person 1: Well, have you noticed how people always associate white with purity and black with darkness?

Person 2: Yeah, it's kind of ridiculous, isn't it? Like, why can't we just appreciate all the colors of the rainbow?

Person 1: Exactly! I mean, if someone spills coffee on a white shirt, it's a disaster, but if it's a black shirt, it's just another day!

Person 2: Ha! So true. But you know, skin color isn't just about aesthetics; it's about history and culture too.

Person 1: Totally! Like, did you know that melanin not only protects us from the sun but also gives our skin its beautiful shades?

Person 2: Wow, nature is pretty amazing, huh? Maybe we should start appreciating our melanin a bit more.

Person 1: Absolutely! Let's make a pact to celebrate every shade, from porcelain to ebony, because diversity is what makes life interesting!

Person 2: Hear, hear! Here's to embracing our melanin and spreading some colorful love wherever we go!

Person 1: Cheers to that! And remember, folks, beauty comes in all shades, so let's ditch the color stereotypes and rock our melanin with pride!

Person 2: Preach! high fives